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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:*Please amend paragraph [0028] as set forth belows:*

[0028] FIGS. 4 and 5 illustrate enlarged views of the cone tip portion 18 of the preferred apparatus 10. The cone tip portion 18 is preferably formed from a transparent material, such as polycarbonate or other suitable material, so as to enable the surgeon to visualize the position of the apparatus 10 through the lens of the endoscope. The cone tip portion 18 further includes a window 46, preferably on the top surface thereof, which maintains the conical profile of the exterior surface of the cone tip portion 18 while protecting the lens of the endoscope 16 positioned therebeneath. The cone tip portion 18 further includes at least one, and preferably two, recesses 26, 28 for receiving the manipulator forks 20, 22. More specifically, the recesses 26, 28 are configured such that with the fork arms 48, 50 retracted and the manipulator forks 20, 22 on the distal ends folded inwardly, the conical profile of the exterior surface of the cone tip portion is not disrupted. The cone tip portion 18 further includes a recess 24 for receiving the cutting device 14. Therefore, the apparatus 10 is utilized with the forks 20, 22 and cutting device 14 retracted into the cone tip portion when performing the primary dissection of the tissue from around a section of the desired blood vessel which is to be harvested, and thus creates the working space surrounding the selected section.